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**Re:**                   **Applicant:**                   Ruby Mercado, Et al.  
                         **Title:**                         Portable Carrying Devices  
                         **Application No.:**       10/008,570  
                         **Our File No:**               1001.300

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find the following:

1. Declaration and Power of Attorney Executed by the inventors;
2. 7 Drawing pages with corrections pursuant to notice to file missing parts.;
3. A petition for extension of time to answer;
4. Copy of Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated January 28, 2002;
5. A Check in the amount of \$567 (\$512 for filing fees and \$55 for a one month extension) the applicants are entitled to small entity status; and
6. A self-addressed, stamped acknowledgement card to indicate receipt of the above-referenced documents.

Should you have any questions or comments with regard to the above, please do not hesitate to call (949) 500-7811 and the undersigned will be happy to assist you.

Very truly yours,

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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$204.
  - \$36 for 2 total claims over 20.
  - \$168 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1074.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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